REMARKS

Applicant notes that the Notice of Abandonment mailed January 26, 2005 has been withdrawn.

Applicant traverses the Examiner's restriction requirement. Applicant has selected Examiner's Group V claims for prosecution at this time. Applicant has canceled other pending claims without prejudice.

Applicant has amended the claims to add new claims believed to fall within the scope of subject matter designated by the Examiner as the selected Group V. Applicant submits that no new matter has been introduced. Applicant notes that the original patent application included 33 total claims with 5 independent claims. The application as amended now includes 32 total claims with 4 independent claims. Accordingly, no additional fee for additional claims is required.

The Examiner is invited to contact Mr. Christopher A. Wiklof at (425) 415-6641 with any issues that may advance prosecution of the application on the merits.

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